

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 20 public bills, H.R. 4423–4424, 4426–4443; 4 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 322–325, were introduced. **Page H2966**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 4425, making appropriations for military construction, family housing, and base realignment and closure for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001 (H. Rept. 106–614). **Pages H2965–66**

Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, Rev. Robert Rosenberg of Oshkosh, Wisconsin. **Page H2907**

Conservation and Reinvestment Act: The House passed H.R. 701, to provide Outer Continental Shelf Impact Assistance to State and local governments, to amend the Land and Water Conservation Fund Act of 1965, the Urban Park and Recreation Recovery Act of 1978, and the Federal Aid in Wildlife Restoration Act (commonly referred to as the Pittman-Robertson Act) to establish a fund to meet the outdoor conservation and recreation needs of the American people by a recorded vote of 315 ayes to 102 noes, Roll No. 179. **Pages H2907–52**

Agreed to the amendment in the nature of a substitute made in order by the rule. **Page H2946**

Agreed to the DeFazio motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Resources with instructions to report it back with an amendment that restricts funding if it diminishes the benefit obligations of Social Security and Medicare by a recorded vote of 413 ayes to 3 noes, Roll No. 178. Subsequently, the Committee on Resources reported the bill back with an amendment that prohibits funding that would diminish Social Security and Medicare benefit obligations. **Pages H2946–51**

Agreed To:

Hill amendment, as modified, that requires the Secretaries of the Interior and Agriculture to develop a plan for the acquisition and disposal of lands in Montana; **Pages H2916–18**

Buyer amendment that disallows wildlife conservation organizations from using Federal funds for the purchase of conservation easements; **Pages H2918–20**

Udall of Colorado amendment that allows funding for the Urban and Community Forestry Assistance Program (agreed to by a recorded vote of 306 ayes to 116 noes, Roll No. 174); **Pages H2921–23, H2929–30**

Rejected:

Peterson of Pennsylvania amendment that sought to restrict Federal acquisition of lands to designated boundaries within USDA administered recreation areas or units of the National Park, Wilderness Preservation, Wildlife Refuge, Forest, Trails, or Wild and Scenic Rivers systems (rejected by a recorded vote of 108 ayes to 310 noes, Roll No. 166); **Page H2908**

Chambliss amendment that sought to shift the beginning date that mandatory spending for programs in the bill begins from fiscal year 2002 to fiscal year 2006 (rejected by a recorded vote of 142 ayes to 281 noes, Roll No. 167); **Pages H2908–09**

Chenoweth-Hage amendment that sought to strike language dealing with a coastal subdivision in the State of California (rejected by a recorded vote of 166 ayes to 259 noes, Roll No. 168); **Pages H2909–10**

Hastings of Washington amendment that sought to require that at least 50 percent of the Federal portion be used for maintenance operations of Federal lands (rejected by a recorded vote of 169 ayes to 256 noes, Roll No. 169); **Pages H2010–11**

Sweeney amendment that sought to prohibit a State from acquiring land if the local government has disapproved the acquisition (rejected by a recorded vote of 187 ayes to 238 noes, Roll No. 170); **Page H2911**

Simpson amendment that sought to require that the Federal government either dispose of an equal amount of land or obtain legislative approval from the State when acquiring land in a state in which 50 percent or more of the land is owned by the Federal government (rejected by a recorded vote of 157 ayes to 266 noes, Roll No. 171); **Pages H2911–12**

Calvert amendment that sought to prohibit the use of funds for adverse condemnation of property (rejected by a recorded vote of 158 ayes to 261 noes, Roll No. 172); **Pages H2913–16, H2928**

Chenoweth-Hage amendment that sought to strike Wildlife Conservation and Restoration definitions in the bill (rejected by a recorded vote of 107 ayes to 317 noes, Roll No. 173); **Pages H2920–21, H2928–29**

Gibbons amendment that sought to allow the Bureau of Land Management to auction public land identified for disposal in Land Management Plans (rejected by a recorded vote of 170 ayes to 250 noes, Roll No. 175); **Pages H2923–26, H2930**

Ose amendment, as modified, that sought to restrict the use of funds to grants that provide assistance to incorporated cities and counties with populations of 100,000 or more (rejected by a recorded vote of 56 ayes to 365 noes, Roll No. 176); and

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Thornberry amendment in the nature of a substitute that sought to strengthen private property rights, payment in lieu of taxes (PILT) programs, maintenance in public parks, and makes funding discretionary for the first five years the bill is enacted (rejected by a recorded vote of 126 ayes to 291 noes, Roll No. 177).

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H. Res. 497, the rule that is providing for consideration of the bill was agreed to on May 10. Pursuant to the rule, the text of H.R. 4377, was made in order as an original bill for the purpose of amendment.

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Late Reports: The Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence received permission to have until midnight on Friday, May 12 to file a report on H.R. 4392, Intelligence Authorization; and the Committee on Appropriations received permission to have until midnight on Friday, May 12 to file a report on a bill making appropriations for the Legislative Branch.

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Legislative Program: The Majority Leader announced the Legislative Program for the week of May 15.

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Meeting Hour—Monday, May 15: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Monday, May 15 for morning hour debate.

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Meeting Hour—Wednesday, May 17: Agreed that when the House adjourns on Tuesday, May 16, 2000, it adjourn to meet at 9 a.m. on Wednesday, May 17, for the purpose of receiving former Members of Congress.

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Receiving Former Members of Congress in the Chamber: Agreed that it may be in order on Wednesday, May 17, for the Speaker to declare a recess subject to the call of the Chair for the purpose of receiving former Members of Congress in the House Chamber.

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Calendar Wednesday: Agreed that the business in order under the calendar Wednesday rule be dispensed with on Wednesday, May 17.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: Fourteen recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H2908, H2909, H2909–10, H2910–11, H2911, H2912, H2928, H2928–29, H2929–30, H2930, H2930–31, H2945–46, H2951, and H2951–52. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

Committee Meetings

DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense met in executive session and ordered reported the Defense appropriations for fiscal year 2001.

CHINA—PERMANENT NORMAL RELATIONS

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Held a hearing on Permanent Normal Relations for China: Impact on U.S. Financial Community. Testimony was heard from Lawrence H. Summers, Secretary of the Treasury; Charlene Barshefsky, U.S. Trade Representative; and public witnesses.

NEW ELECTRONIC MARKET COMPETITION

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Finance and Hazardous Materials continued hearings on Competition in the New Electronic Market: Part II. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

HEALTH CARE FAIRNESS ACT

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Health and Environment held a hearing on H.R. 3250, Health Care Fairness Act of 1999. Testimony was heard from Representatives Lewis of Georgia, Watts of Oklahoma, Jackson of Illinois, Hayworth, Underwood and Rodriguez; David Satcher, U.S. Surgeon General, Department of Health and Human Services; E. Anne Peterson, M.D., Health Commissioner, State of Virginia; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS AUTHORIZATIONS

Committee on Education and the Workforce, Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Youth, and Families held a hearing on Authorization of the National Center for Education Statistics, National Assessment of Educational Progress, and National Assessment Governing Board. Testimony was heard from Michael E. Ward, Superintendent of Public Instruction, Department of Public Instruction, State of North Carolina; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—2000 CENSUS

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on the Census held an oversight hearing of the 2000 Census: Non-Response Follow-up and Other Key Operations. Testimony was heard from J. Christopher Mihm, Associate Director, Federal Management and Workforce Issues, GAO.